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On Friday, January 31, President Trump signed a proclamation suspending entry into the United States of aliens who were physically present in the People's Republic of China, excluding the Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong and Macau, within the 14 days preceding entry or attempted entry into the United States. The proclamation took effect Sunday, February 2. This action followed the declaration of a public health emergency in the United States related to the novel coronavirus outbreak in Wuhan, China.

On Saturday, February 29, President Trump signed a second proclamation suspending entry into the United States of aliens who were physically present in Iran within the 14 days preceding entry or attempted entry into the United States. This proclamation took effect as of Monday, March 2.

On Thursday, March 11, President Trump signed a third proclamation suspending entry into the United States of aliens who were physically present in any of the 26 countries that make up the Schengen Area within the 14 days preceding their entry or attempted entry into the United States. The Schengen Area consists of Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. This proclamation is in effect as of 11:59 p.m., March 13, 2020.

On March 14, President Trump signed a fourth proclamation that restricts travel to the United States of foreign nationals who were physically present in the

United Kingdom and Ireland within the 14 days preceding their entry or attempted entry into the United States. This proclamation is in effect as of 11:59 p.m. eastern daylight time on March 16, 2020.

U.S. citizens are not subject to the proclamations. All three proclamations provide exceptions to the restrictions for lawful permanent residents of the United States. Some exceptions include, but are not limited to: foreign diplomats traveling to the United States on A or G visas and certain family members of U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents including; spouses, children (under the age of 21), parents (provided that his/her U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident child is unmarried and under the age of 21), and siblings (provided that both the sibling and the U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident are unmarried and under the age of 21). There is also an exception for air and sea crew traveling to the United States on C, D or C1/D visas. For the full list of exceptions please refer to the proclamations.

The full text of the presidential proclamations are available on the White House website at:

China: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/proclamation-suspension-entry-immigrants-nonimmigrants-persons-pose-risk-transmitting-2019-novel-coronavirus/>

Iran: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/proclamation-suspension-entry-immigrants-nonimmigrants-certain-additional-persons-pose-risk-transmitting-coronavirus/>

Schengen

Area: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/proclamation-suspension-entry-immigrants-nonimmigrants-certain-additional-persons-pose-risk-transmitting-2019-novel-coronavirus/>

United Kingdom and

Ireland: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/proclamation-suspension-entry-immigrants->

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